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SUBJ: EXPORT OPPORTUNITY: SUBMARINE CABLE

1. DIRECTOR GENERAL OF SOGEC (SOCIETE GABONAISE D'ELECTRIFICATION ET DE CANALISATION) CALLED AT EMBASSY AFTERNOON OF JULY 20 TO OBTAIN NAMES/ADDRESSES OF US MANUFACTURERS OF ELECTRIC SUBMARINE CABLE, TRIPLE PHASE, 225 THOUSAND VOLTS, CAPACITY 80 MEGAWATTS. THIS CABLE IS APPARENTLY A HIGHLY SPECIALIZED TYPE AND WILL BE USED IN THE LIBREVILLE-PORT GENTIL ELECTRIC POWER TRANSMISSION NETWORK. SOGEC DIRECTOR BELIEVES SOME 15 KILOMETERS OF SUBMARINE CABLE REQUIRED TO CONNECT WITH OVERHEAD LINES WHICH WOULD CARRY CURRENT SOME 150 KILOMETERS TO PORT GENTIL.

2. SOGEC DIRECTOR LEAVING LIBREVILLE SATURDAY FOR HOLIDAY IN EUROPE AND IS PREPARED TO TRAVEL TO US TO DISCUSS PROJECT WITH APPROPRIATE US MANUFACTURERS. ALE COULD APPROACH ONE BILLION CFA OR APPROXIMATELY US DOLS 4 MILLION.

3. APPRECIATE YOUR FORWARDING ASAP NAMES, ADDRESSES, AND TELEX NUMBERS OF INTERESTED US MANUFACTURERS SO THAT WE MAY PROVIDE INFORMATION TO SOGEC DIRECTOR PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FOR EUROPE. HE WOULD THEN TELEX US FIRMS DIRECTLY TO ARRANGE TRAVEL AND APPOINTMENT SCHEDULE. RESPONSE BY THURSDAY WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL. STEIGMAN

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